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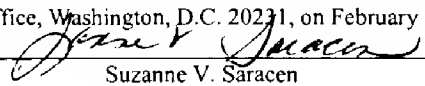
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

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Dear Sir:

It is requested that the period for response to the Office Action dated August 28, 2002 be extended to allow for response within three month(s) after the time originally set. The time originally set was November 28, 2002. The extended period will expire February 28, 2003.

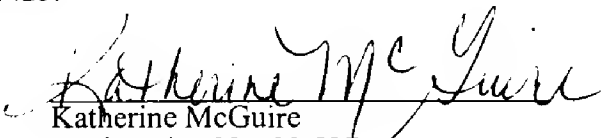
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